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SOUTHEAST ALASKA DRIFT GILLNET FISHERY ANNOUNCEMENT

Sitka. . . The Alaska Department of Fish and Game announced today the opening of the Southeast Alaska drift gillnet fishery, during the times and in the areas listed below, beginning on Sunday, September 8, 2013.

Section 1-B: will be open from 12:01 p.m., Sunday, September 8, through 12:00 noon, Thursday, September 12, with the following restriction:

<u>Pearse and Portland Canals</u>: will be closed north of the latitude of Akeku Point located at the southern entrance of Edwards Passage.

District 6: will be open from 12:01 p.m., Sunday, September 8, through 12:00 noon, Thursday, September 12, with the following restriction:

<u>Section 6-D</u>: will be closed north and east of a line from Mariposa Rock Buoy to the northernmost tip of Point Harrington, to a point on Etolin Island at 56°09.60′ N. latitude, 132°42.70′ W. longitude, to the southernmost tip of Point Stanhope, and south of a line from Point Stanhope to Luck Point.

District 8: will be open from 12:01 p.m., Sunday, September 8, through 12:00 noon, Thursday, September 12, with the following restrictions:

<u>Kupreanof Island Shoreline</u>: waters of Frederick Sound will be closed west of a line from the District 10 boundary one nautical mile off the Kupreanof Island shoreline to Sukoi Island Light to Hungry Point;

<u>Stikine River</u>: waters off the Stikine River will be closed north and west of a line from Babbler Point to Hour Point along the shore of Wrangell Island to Point Highfield to the southern end of Liesnoi Island to the southern end of Greys Island to the small island near the eastern entrance of Blind Slough to the nearest point of Mitkof Island, and south and east of a line from the prominent point of Mitkof Island nearest Coney Island to the northern end of Coney Island to a point 500 yards north of Jap Creek on the mainland shore.

Section 11-B: will be open from 12:01 p.m., Sunday, September 8, through 12:00 noon, Wednesday, September 11, with the following restriction:

<u>Port Snettisham</u>: waters of Port Snettisham and Speel Arm will be closed south and east of a line from Sentinel Point to a point on the eastern shoreline at 58°01.45′ N. latitude, 133°45.35′ W. longitude, and north of the latitude of Bride Point at 58°06.61′ N. latitude.

Section 11-B (Speel Arm): will close in conjunction with the remainder of Section 11-B at 12:00 noon, Wednesday, September 11.

Section 15-A: will be open from **12:01 p.m.**, **Sunday**, **September 8**, **through 12:00 noon**, **Wednesday**, **September 11**, in the waters of Lynn Canal with the following restrictions:

<u>Chilkat Inlet</u>: will be closed north of the latitude from the northernmost tip of Kochu Island at 59°09.04′ N. latitude;

<u>Chilkoot Inlet</u>: will be closed north of a line from Tanini Point at 59°16.39′ N. latitude, 135°26.46′ W. longitude, to Taiva Point at 59°17.27′ N. latitude, 135°24.12′ W. longitude.

Section 15-B: will be open from 12:01 p.m., Sunday, September 8, through 12:00 noon, Wednesday, September 11, south of the latitude of Cove Point at 58°45.28′ N. latitude.

Section 15-C: will be open from 12:01 p.m., Sunday, September 8, through 12:00 noon, Wednesday, September 11.

The Emergency Order corresponding with this announcement is EO 1S5913.

Southeast Alaska Drift Gillnet Harvest Estimates Statistical Week 36 (September 1 through 7) Preliminary Estimates Compiled September 5, 2013

District	King	Sockeye	Coho	Pink	Chum	Total	Boats	Days Open
Section 1-B	0	100	13,000	5,000	7,000	25,100	35	5
District 6	10	50	19,000	11,000	800	30,860	68	4
District 8	10	20	9,000	700	200	9,930	32	4
District 11	5	200	4,500	200	700	5,605	35	4
District 15	8	2,000	10,000	31	20,100	32,139	60	3
Deep Inlet THA	0	0	280	700	18,500	19,480	30	2
Total	33	2,370	55,780	17,631	47,300	123,114	260	

	FISH PER BOAT FOR THE PERIOD						
District	King	Sockeye	Coho	Pink	Chum	Total	
Section 1-B	0	3	371	143	200	717	
District 6	0	1	279	162	12	454	
District 8	0	1	281	22	6	310	
District 11	0	6	129	6	20	160	
District 15	0	33	167	1	335	536	
Deep Inlet THA	0	0	9	23	617	649	

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